Survey on oil reserves in Rajasthan

1063. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any survey in Rajasthan to find out the new sources and reserves of petrol and gas during the last three years or so till date;

(b) if so, the results thereof and the location where oil and gas has been found alongwith the estimated quantum thereof; and

(c) the names of Indian/foreign companies assigned the job of exploration of gas/oil etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) In the last three years, Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd., (ONGC) has carried out 670 Ground Line Kilometre (GLK) of 2D seismic surveys in the following areas in Rajasthan: South of Kharatar, East of Miajlar, South of Manhera Tibba and Dangiwala.

Oil India Ltd. (OIL) in the past has acquired 11570 GLK of 2D seismic data and 300 Square Kilometre (Sq. Km.) of 3D seismic data in Rajasthan. At present, OIL is carrying out a complete Basin Modelling and Integrated Geoscientific study of the entire basins under its operational areas to identify further prospectivity.

(b) The seismic data acquired so far in Rajasthan are processed and interpreted for identifying hydrocarbon petential of the surveyed areas. Based on the results of these surveys, exploratory drilling activities are taken up.

In Rajasthan in the past three years, four exploratory wells had been drilled by ONGC, out of which three wells have been found to be gas-bearing. During the period, OIL had drilled two exploratory wells in Dandewala gas field. Out of the two wells drilled, one was dry and the other showed presence of natural gas.

The exploratory efforts by ONGC and OIL during the last three years have resulted in the accretion of Initial Gas in Place of 0.16 Billion Cubic Metre (BCM).

Additionally, OIL has been discovered by Private/Joint Venture Companies in the exploration block RJ-ON-90/1 in Rajasthan, which has resulted in establishing an estimated oil in place of about 0.19 Million Metric Tonnes (MMT).

(c) In the State of Rajasthan, following blocks have been contracted to the under-mentioned companies:

Exploration Block	Name of Companies
NELP-II	
RJ-ONN-2000/1	Oil India Ltd., India
PRE-NELP	
RJ-ON-90/1	Cairn Energy India Pvt. Ltd. Australia Shell India, Netherlands
RJ-ON-90/5	Essar Oil Ltd., India Polish Oil & Gas Company (POGC), Poland
RJ-ON/6	Phoenix Overseas Ltd., India

Complaints against petrol pumps

†1064. SHRI BACHANI LAKHRAJ: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of complaints regarding supply of less quantity of petrol by petrol pums have been received;

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any steps in this regard so far; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) In order to check the malpractices including those related to supply of quantity of petrol, Oil Companies undertake regular/surprise inspections at retail outlets, as per the following Schedule:—

Sales Officer — Once in 3 months

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